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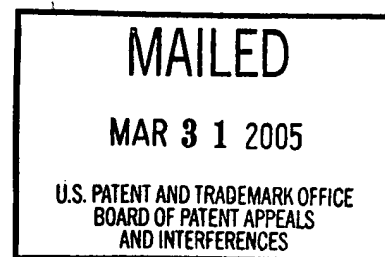
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Ex parte Dr. Melvin Hatch

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Appeal No. 2005-0941  
Application 09/941029

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DECISION ON PETITION

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This is in response to the petition filed August 23, 2004, requesting that the above identified application be granted Special Status under M.P.E.P. Section 708.02 IV.

The petition has been considered and found to comply with all the requirements set forth under M.P.E.P. Section 708.02 IV. Accordingly, the petition is granted.

The above identified application will be assigned on brief in due course.

PETITION GRANTED

By:

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